



# PSC NEWS

## Missouri Public Service Commission

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### **PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE/HEARING SCHEDULE IN AQUILA ELECTRIC RATE CASE**

Jefferson City (July 25, 2003)---The Missouri Public Service Commission will hold hearings in **February and March** in an electric rate case filed by Aquila, Incorporated d/b/a Aquila Networks-L&P and Aquila Networks-MPS (Aquila). **In February, hearings will be held the 17th through the 20th as well as the 23rd through the 27th. In March, hearings are scheduled for March 1-5, 2004 as well as March 15-16, 2004.** These hearings will be held in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, in Jefferson City. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearings, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the hearings.

**The Commission will hold local public hearings in this case to receive customer comment on the Company's rate proposal. The Commission will set the times, dates and locations of these local public hearings in a future order.**

Aquila is seeking to increase annual electric revenues by approximately \$65 million in its Aquila Networks-MPS system and by approximately \$14.6 million in its Aquila Networks-L&P system. For the average residential customer, the proposed increase would be approximately \$13.25 a month for Aquila Networks-MPS customers and approximately \$8.95 a month for Aquila Networks-L&P customers.

Applications to intervene and participate in this electric rate case must be filed on or before **August 11, 2003**, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: James C. Swearengen, Brydon, Swearengen & England, P.C., 312 East Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 456, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency which represents the general public in matters before the Public Service Commission.

Aquila Networks-L&P serves approximately 64,000 electric customers in the former St. Joseph Light & Power service area. Aquila Networks-MPS serves approximately 220,000 electric customers in the former Missouri Public Service service area.

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